

MINUTES
OF THE
STATE CONVENTION
OF THE
BAPTIST DENOMINATION
IN
SOUTH CAROLINA,

AT ITS EIGHTEENTH ANNIVERSARY, HELD AT THE BETHEL CHURCH,
SPARTANBURGH DISTRICT, DECEMBER 8th, AND CONTINUED TO
DECEMBER 10th A. D. 1838.

The introductory sermon was delivered by Br. W. B. Johnson, from Gal. vi. 9, 10; in which were presented the views, objects, and claims of the Convention.

The credentials of delegates being presented, the following were enrolled, viz:

Charleston Association. —————.

Edgefield Association.—W. B. Johnson, N. W. Hodges, J. M. Chiles, R. G. Mays,† W. P. Hull,† Z. Watkins, M. M. Abney,† M. Mims, J. Lipscomb,† Z. Rudolph, Sen.†

Savannah River Association —W. A. Lawton,† I. L. Brooks,† J. T. Robert,† A. J. Lawton, R. Bradford,† H. Z. Ardis,† S. H. Butler,† R. Fuller,† W. I. Harley,† B. H. Brown,† L. M. Brown,† H. D. Duncan,† I. Nicholes, Jr.,† J. Broom,† D. Peebles,† J. M. Miller,† W. G. Gardner †

Welsh Neck Association.—J. C. Furman, J. Culpepper, Jr.,† J. B. Furman † J. O. R. Dargan,† M. Strickland,† D. Palmer,† T. G. Rodgers,† A. H. David,† R. Napier,† E. David, W. M. Metter,† R. G. Edwards,† J. Fountain,†

Edisto Association —Wm. Brooker,† W. Fort, H. A. Williams,† L. Hickson,† J. Hitchings,† J. G. O. Wilkerson,† W. H. Geiger,†

† Absent.

Charleston Juvenile Missionary Female and Education Society.

Mount Moriah Female Missionary and Benevolent Society.—N. W. Hodges.

Newberry Baptist Church.—J. B. O'Neill,† D. Nance,† Y. J. Harrington.

*Bush River Baptist Church.*_____.

Anderson District Missionary Society.—A. Rice, S. Vandivier,† H. Lecroy.†

*Peniel Missionary Society.*_____.

Shiloh Baptist Church.—T. Dawson,† T. M. Sloan.†

New Hope Baptist Church —J. Grisham, E. Collins.

Monticello Female Benevolent Society.—J. Davis.

Fairfield Baptist Church.—W. Hooper, W. E. Bailey, W. Smith, Thos. J. Rabb.†

Tiger River Baptist Association.—S. Gibson, E. Rodgers, A. M. Spalding, J. Foster,† J. Hamet,† J. C. Green,† J. G. Landrum, J. Barton, M. M. Wallace, J. Center.†

Silverton Female Missionary Society.—W. I. Harley.

1. Elected W. B. Johnson President, J. Davis Vice President, and J. M. Chiles Secretary.

2. A letter was presented from the Little River Church, certifying the appointment of J. Davis and A. Glenn† as delegates.

Also, from the Rocky Spring Church, by their delegate, T. Frean.

Also, from the Boiling Spring Baptist Camp Ground Missionary Society, by their delegates, J. Grisham and E. King.

These bodies were severally admitted as constituent members, and their delegates welcomed to seats.

3. The Rules of Order were read by Br. J. C. Furman.

4 Received a letter of correspondence from the Georgia Baptist Convention, by their messengers, H. Posey and J. Rainwater.

Also, from the Saluda River Baptist Association, by their messengers, A. Rice, A. Acker and W. Magee.

Also, from the Twelve Mile River Baptist Association, by the messengers, J. Grisham and E. King.

The brethren of these delegations were cordially received, and invited to seats.

5 Received by the hands of Y. J. Harrington, a letter containing \$50, for the Classical Department of the Furman Institution from the Newberry Baptist Sewing Society.

Also, a letter from the Head of Enoree Baptist Church, containing \$10.

6. The President announced the following Committees, viz :

On arrangement for Preaching.—The Pastor and Deacons of the Bethel Church, together with brethren W. E. Bailey and Mims.

On Accounts.—A. Rice, W. Smith, Y. J. Harrington, E. King and J. G. Landrum.

On the place of Meeting and persons to Preach.—N. W. Hodges, Z. Watkins, J. Grisham, J. C. Furman and W. Fort.

† Absent.

On communications from Corresponding Bodies.—W. E. Bailey, W. Hooper, Rogers, Harley and E. David.

7. Received a letter from the Charleston Juvenile Female Missionary and Education Society, making inquiry respecting the state of their funds. Referred to the Committee on Accounts.

Adjourned to meet Monday morning at 10 o'clock, with prayer by Br. Posey.

8. Lord's Day. The charity sermon was preached by Br. N. W. Hodges, at 11 o'clock A. M., from Isaiah lx. 1, "Arise, shine, for thy light is come, and the glory of the Lord is risen upon thee." After which a public collection was taken from the congregation, amounting to \$51.

In the afternoon, Br. Posey addressed the congregation, from Eph. iv. 3, "Endeavouring to keep the unity of the spirit in the bonds of peace." The services were closed with an exhortation and prayer by Br. Rainwater.

Monday Morning.—The Convention met. Prayer by Br. Magee.

9. Ministering brethren of our own and other denominations, and deacons of the churches, who were present, were invited to seats, to aid with their counsel. Brethren E. Ray, A. Ray, P. T. Hammond, Robinson, and others, accepted the invitation.

10. The Committee on communications from Corresponding Bodies, reported, "That they had examined the papers placed in their hands, and find nothing demanding the special notice of this body.

11. Appointed Br. W. I. Harley to write to the Saluda River Baptist Association; brethren Chiles, Grisham, and Green, messengers.

Brother Hooper, to write to the North Carolina Baptist Convention.

Brother J. C. Furman, to write to the Georgia Baptist Convention; Grisham, Watkins, and Chiles, messengers.

Br. Frean, to write to the Twelve Mile River Baptist Association; Magee, Rice, Landrum, Green and Watkins, messengers.

12. Appointed M. Mims, W. Magee, W. I. Harley, J. Davis and A. Acker, a committee to nominate suitable persons for the Board of Agents.

13. The President reported, that the monument to be erected over the remains of Elder Luther Rice, is completed.

14. He also stated, that he had expended \$10 of the amount given to him, to purchase books for Br. Blythe, for that purpose—and that he will also apply the remainder in like manner.

15. On motion of Br. Hodges, *Resolved*, That the sum of \$10 be appropriated for the purchasing of books for Br. Collins; Br. Grisham was requested to make the selection, and apply the funds.

16. Br. Johnson reported, that in conformity with the appointment made at the last meeting of this body, he had attended the meetings of the Triennial Convention, and of the American Baptist Home Mission Society; and gave a concise and interesting statement of the proceedings of those bodies.

17. The Committee on Accounts presented their report, which was accepted, and ordered to be printed

18. On motion of Br. Hodges, *Resolved*, "That the sum of \$122, belonging to the Classical Department, and put under improper heads in the Treasurer's report of last year, by mistake, be transferred to its proper head."

19. Br. Mims moved, "That the Treasurer be requested to take immediate measures for the renewal of all bonds, lost in the conflagration of the Institution building."

20. The Committee to nominate members for the Board of Agents, reported the following, viz: W. B. Johnson, J. Davis, J. M. Chiles, A. J. Lawton, Y. J. Harrington, W. Smith, A. Rice, and M. Mims. The report was concurred in.

21. Br. M. Mims, agent for the house and lot in Edgefield, presented his report, which was accepted, and referred to the Treasurer.

22. On motion of Br. Davis, *Resolved*, 'That the funds arising from the sale of the house and lot in Edgefield, not hitherto appropriated, be applied, when paid over to the Treasurer, to the payment of contracts for theological buildings.

23. The Treasurer read his report, which was accepted, and referred to an Auditing Committee, consisting of brethren Mims, Bailey and Fream

24. *Resolved*, That the amount now in the hands of the Treasurer, from James H. Devotie's bond, be applied to the support of Beneficiaries in the Theological Department.

25. *Resolved*, That in future, whenever the Treasurer shall invest any particular fund, the interest arising from that fund, shall be added to the fund itself.

26. Those individuals present, who had given a personal pledge to do all they could towards raising \$1000, each, for the purpose of effecting the more complete establishment of the Theological Department, reported satisfactorily. Also, those who had given a similar pledge for the Classical Department.

27. The collection taken up on Lord's Day, was ordered to be equally divided between the Foreign Mission and the Fund for general purposes.

28. *Resolved*, That the Treasurer be requested to dispose of the jewelry, named in the report of the Committee on Accounts, to the best advantage, and present it in his report.

29. Br. J. C. Furman presented the following resolution, viz: "Whereas, Br. Brantly did, in the early part of the year, withdraw from the office of Editor of the Southern Watchman, and that paper was transferred to Br. Meredith, of North Carolina, Editor of the Biblical Recorder, by which transfer the two papers have become one, *Resolved*, That we approve of the transfer, and recommend to our churches the Biblical Recorder and Southern Watchman."

30. The Board of Trustees reported, by reading a part of their minutes. On motion, *Resolved*, that the remainder be committed to the Board of Agents. The report was accepted.

31. *Resolved*, That the Secretary of the Board of Trustees be requested to make such an abstract of the minutes of the Board as he thinks expedient, to be printed with the minutes of the Convention.

32. *Resolved*, That the President be requested to present a petition to the State Legislature, praying a re-incorporation of this body.

33. The Committee to audit the Treasurer's report, stated, that "they found his accounts correctly cast, and well vouched." Their report accepted, and the Treasurer's report ordered to be printed with the minutes.

34. On motion of brother Hodges, *Resolved*, that the Treasurer of the Convention pay over to the Treasurer of the Board of Trustees, all moneys applicable to theological buildings—all funds for the classical department—the fund for beneficiaries—and the fund for general purposes, excepting so much as is necessary for printing the minutes.

35. The committee on the place of meeting, and persons to preach, reported, "that they think it desirable that the next meeting of this body be held at the Black Swamp Church in Robertville, Beaufort District, on the Saturday before the 2d Lord's day in December, 1839. Brother J. C. Furman to preach the introductory sermon, and brother R. Fuller his alternate; brother W. Hooper to preach the charity sermon, and brother A. Rice his alternate. The report was concurred in.

36. *Resolved*. That the treasurer be authorized to sell stock for the purpose of paying his own and former Treasurer's bonds, due the Fire Insurance and Trust Company and Union Banks.

37. *Resolved*, That the Treasurer be authorized to employ agents to collect moneys due the Convention.

38. *Resolved*, That the Treasurer take the subscription-book of brother Hartwell, and collect all sums due.

39. Committed to the Secretary the printing and distribution of 1500 copies of these minutes, with the understanding that he call on brother W. Riley of Charleston, to perform the service.

40. Voted, unanimously, that this body entertain a grateful sense of the abundant provision made, and the cordial welcome given, in the entertainment of this body, and of its friends, during the present session.

The President prayed, and the Convention adjourned.

W. B. JOHNSON, *President*.

J. M. CHILES, *Secretary*.

REPORT OF ALEXANDER J. LAWTON,
Treasurer of the Baptist State Convention of South Carolina, for
December, 1838.

PERMANENT FUND.

1838		Principal.	Interest.
	Bonds and notes unpaid last year,	22641 41	2053 94
	Do. accumulation of interest since,		1409 59
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		22641 41	3463 53
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	Bonds and notes paid in cash,	1623 59	517 59
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	Balance remaining due,	\$21012 82	2945 94
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CASH—PERMANENT FUND.

	By cash in payment of bonds, &c., as above,		1023 59
	By cash for additional donations to do. as above,		235 00
June	To cash paid instalment on Charleston Insurance and Trust Company's stock,	1000 00	
	By cash of John M. Prothro		20 00
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	To balance on hand,	883 59	1883 59
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		1883 59	
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	By balance on hand, brought down,		883 59
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PAYMENTS ON BONDS, &c.

Cash of	In.	Pr.	Pr. & In.
R. T. Lawton	21 00		
B. T. D. Lawton, full,	19 68	150 00	169 68
B. N. Robert	7 00		
James Dupre	5 60		
Milledge Galphin	10 00		
Dawson Atkinson	14 00		
A. Scarborough	7 00		
Mrs. E. Stoney, for 1837, (annuity for life,)	10 00		
Miss Charlotte C. Keith	3 50	50 00	53 50
Joseph Phillips	1 75		
Charles H. Colding	3 50		
J. G. Brown	14 00		
John F. Wilson	14 00		
J. L. Reynolds	14 00		
R. J. Davant, two years int. and int. on } int. to 2d July, 1838, at his request, }	74 98	75 02	150 00
Mrs. M. A. Brisbane	7 00		
Mrs. Alexander J. Lawton, formerly } Mrs. C. P. Schnell, in full, }	11 67	200 00	211 67
R. H. Saxon, int. to 1st June, 1838,	17 00		
Alexander Sparks, first instalment,		100 00	
T. J. Gantt, on bond and mortgage,		1900 00	
D. R. W. M'Iver	10 45	39 55	50 00
R. G. Norton	21 00		
H. Z. Ardis	7 00		
B. H. Brown	28 00		
W. B. Johnson	28 00		
Mrs. E. H. Simkins	14 00		
B. Gerald	7 00		
R. T. Adams	10 75		

G. L. Penn	7 00		
J. M. Chiles	7 00		
J. C. Furman	63 00		
H. Lide	5 98	4 02	10 00
J. O. B. Dargan	7 00		
John F. Wilson	14 00		
I. D. Wilson, second instalment,		10 00	
T. P. Lide	10 00		
C. Reeves	00 70		
Jennings O'Bannon	14 00		
B. N. Robert	7 00		
	<u>\$517 59</u>	<u>\$1628 59</u>	<u> </u>

ADDITIONS TO PERMANENT FUND.

Cash of Lewis M. Ayer	100 00
Mr. Patterson of Charleston	5 00
Mrs. Sarah Lowry	10 00
N. W. Hodges, on his subscription,	20 00
Mrs. C. Williams	100 00
John M. Prothro	20 00
	<u>\$255 00</u>

THEOLOGICAL DEPARTMENT.

1838, By cash for interest on bonds and notes	517 59
By dividends on Bank stock for January last, viz 51 shares Commercial Bank of Columbia,	51 00
94 shares Planters and Mechanics' Bank of Charleston,	94 00
9 shares Union Bank of Charleston,	
60 other shares of this Bank pledged by for'er treas. for \$2500 bor'd	15 75
42 shares U. S. Bank, Philadelphia,	168 00
6 " Columbia Bridge Company,	12 00
Nov. By " of Savannah River Association, interest,	121 17
By " dividend for July last, on Bank stock, viz. 94 shares Planters and Mechanics Bank,	94 00
Mar 31 To cash paid Prof. William Hooper, 1st quarter's salary,	375 00
May 22 To do. do. 2d do. do.	375 00
Oct. 5 To do. do. 3d do. do.	375 00
May 22 To do. do. Wm. E. Bailey, treasurer of Board of Trustees,	400 00
By int on \$286 State 5 per ct. stock,	
Dec. 10 To " " Senior Prof. Wm. Hooper 4th quarter's salary,	375 00
By int. for order on Dr. Mendenhall, on acc't of dividends not yet reported, \$175, \$4 of the \$94 credited, not received,	175 00

By balance due A. J. Lawton, treas.		651 49
	<u>\$1900 00</u>	<u>1900 00</u>
1838, To balance due the treas. bro't down,	651 49	
Dec. 10, By int. on \$3500' loaned Classical } Department,		245 00
By balance due the treasurer,		406 49
	<u>651 49</u>	<u>651 49</u>
To balance due the treasurer,	406 49	

THEOLOGICAL BUILDINGS.

	Dr.	Cr.
1837,		
Dec. 29, By cash of W. E. Bailey, for. treas.		2472 00
Dec. 29, To cash paid W. E. Bailey, treas- urer of Board of Trustees, }	2173 48	
1838,		
May 10, By cash of Col. J. B. Miller, for sales of institution, buildings, & }		360 00
land, at High Hills of Santee, }		
May 22, To cash paid W. E. Bailey, treas- urer of Board of Trustees, }	398 53	
May 22, By cash of the following on Watkins' subscription, viz. B. H. Brown, for 1837 & 1838, \$40, W. S. John- son, \$5, 45 00		
J. W. Drummond, \$2, Rev. T. Adams, \$5, 7 00		
Rev. N. W. Hodges, 10 00		62 00
May 22, To cash paid W. E. Bailey, treas- urer of Board, }	62 00	
On Watkins' subscription, viz. By cash of A. J. Ulmer, for 1838, 10, R. G. Norton, do. 5, 15 00		
B. R. Bostick, fall, & 10, \$50, Edward Riley, for 1838, 5, 55 00		
P. J. Bessileau, for 1838, 5, F. Wilmington, for 1837, and 1838, 40 45 00		
Harriet C. Lawton, for 1838, 5, T. Hamilton, for 1838, 10, 15 00		
May 25, J. J. Lawton, for 1838, 10, H. Smart, for 1838, 10, 20 00		
May 25, Mary Forester, for 1838, 3, S. R. Gillison, for 1838, 25, 28 00		
Oct. 3, W. D. Gillison, for 1837, and 1838, 20, 20 00		
Nov. 16, A. J. Lawton, for 1839, 10, Sarah Lawton, for 1839, 10, 20 00		218 00

Nov. 20, By cash J. R. Bostick, for 1837 and 1838,	10 00
By cash of R. G. Norton, for 1839, 5, R. G. Lawrence, 1838, 10,	15 00
By cash of Mrs. Susan Law- rence, for 1838, 5, James Phillips, 5,	10 00
Dec. 8, By cash of J. James, 1838, and 1839, 10, S. H. Butler, for 1838, 10, permanent fund,	20 00
By cash of Dr. B. S. Sweat, 5, Mrs. C. Y. Trotti, 5, S. Williams, 1,	11 00
By cash of ladies of Georgia, by Rev. J. C. Furman,	20 00
By cash of J. J. Robert, full, Watkins' subscription,	35 00
By cash of Esther M. Hughes, full, do.	10 00
By cash of Savannah River Baptist Association, by A. J. Lawton,	41 00
By cash of N. W. Hodges, on his subscription,	5 00
By cash of Z. Watkins, for J. M. Prothro,	10 00
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Balance on hand,	665 00
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	3299 02
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1838, By bal. on hand brought down,	665 00
Dec. 10, By cash at Convention,	58 74
By cash of Drayton Nance,	20 00
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	743 74
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CLASSICAL DEPARTMENT.

1837,	
Dec. 29, By cash of W. E. Bailey, for. treas.	
To repair losses by fire,	1453 50
For general purposes,	474 93
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Dec. 29, To cash paid W. E. Bailey, treas. of Board of Trust.	1928 43
May 5, By cash of J. S. Maner, Wat- kin's sub. full, & \$5 over,	30 00
May 22, To cash paid W. E. Bailey, treasurer of Board,	30 00
By Rev. I. L. Brookes, to re- pair losses by fire, viz., of W. H. Turpin, 50, J. Bones, 10,	60 00

W. W. Starke, 25, H. Hutch-		
inson, 10,	35 00	
Dr. Toole, 5, H. H. Jeffers, 5,		
individuals, 1,	11 00	106 00
By cash of N. W. Hodges, 145, do.		
for Z. Watkins, 17,		162 00
Mrs. M. Mims, 5, Y. J. Harrington, 96,		101 00
N. W. Hodges, 25, do. per Y. J. Har-		
ington 35,		60 00
Z. Watkins, for Wilson's contribution,		
(proper head not known,)		40 00
May 22, To cash paid W. E. Bailey, treas. of Bd.	469 00	
Nov. 20, By cash of B. Jaudon, for 1838, 5,		5 00
Dec. 8, By cash of N. W. Hodges, on his sub.		115 00
By cash of E. Gifford, for 1838, Wat-		
kin's subscription,		5 00
By cash of J. J. Robert, do. full, 15, E.		
M. Hughes, do. full, 10,		25 00
By cash of N. W. Hodges, on his sub.		15 00
Dec. 10, By cash of James Kitchen, 15, Eliel		
Hickson, 5,	20 00	
By cash of Asa Langford, 10,		
W. H. Geiger, 10,	20 00	
By cash of John Walker, 2,		
Thomas Woodruff, 5,	7 00	
By cash of Nancy Woodruff,		
50 cents, by Z. Watkins,	00 50	47 50
To balance on hand,	2427 43	2639 93
	212 50	
	2639 93	
1838, By balance on hand brought down,		212 50
Dec. 10, By cash at Convention,		140 75
		353 25
To cash paid int. on \$3500, borrowed		
of Permanent Fund,	245 00	
To balance due,	108 25	
	353 25	
Dec. 10, By balance on hand,		108 25

GENERAL PURPOSES.

1838,		
Feb. 10, By cash of James H. Devotie,	7 00	
By cash for chk on Bk 180 00		
Disc't at Bk Charle'n,	9 00	171 00
Feb. 10, To cash paid for two books of record,	1 62	
Aug. To cash paid James S. Burges print-		
ing minutes for 1837,	150 00	
To cash paid salary of treas. for 1838,	50 00	

By cash paid due the treasurer,		<u>23 62</u>
	<u>201 62</u>	<u>201 62</u>
1838, To balance due the treasurer,	23 62	
Dec.10, By cash at Convention,		179 56
To cash transfered to Beneficiaries in Theology, being amount paid by James H. Devotie,	178 00	
By balance due the treasurer,		<u>22 06</u>
	<u>201 62</u>	<u>201 62</u>
Dec. 10, To balance due the treasurer,	<u>22 06</u>	

BAPTIST BOARD OF FOREIGN MISSIONS.

1837,		
Dec.29, By cash of former treasurer,		
For Bible,	31 82	
For Burman Bible,	161 87	
For Foreign Missions,	<u>243 83</u>	437 53
1838,		
Feb.10, To cash remitted to H. Lincoln, treasurer of Board for For. Mis. $\frac{1}{2}$ per ct. prm.	437 53	
1838,		
Dec.10, By cash at Convention for American and Foreign Bible Society,		2 00
Foreign Missions, and 3 pieces jewelry,		249 05
Burman Missions,		94 12
Burman Bible,		<u>70 63</u>
		<u>415 80</u>

AMERICAN BAPTIST HOME MISSION SOCIETY.

1838,		
Dec 10, By cash at Convention,		8 00
Dec.10, To cash paid W. B. Johnson,	<u>8 00</u>	

BENEFICIARIES IN THEOLOGY.

1838,		
Dec.10, By transfer from General Purposes, of cash paid by James H. Devotie, by order of Convention,		178 00
Dec.10, To cash paid Joseph Grisham, to buy books for E. Collins,		<u>10 00</u>
Balance on hand,		<u>\$168 00</u>

RECAPITULATION.

	\$	cts.
Permanent Fund, balance on hand,	883	59
Theological Buildings,	743	74
Classical Department,	108	25
Baptist Board of Foreign Missions,	415	80
American Baptist Home Miss. Soc. paid,	8	00
Beneficiaries in 'Theology,	168	00
	<u>2327</u>	<u>38</u>
LESS.		
General Purposes, bal. due treasurer,	22	62
Theological Department, do.	406	49
	<u>429</u>	<u>11</u>
		<u>1898 27</u>

FIXED INCOME ESTIMATED.

Annual interest on bonds and notes,	1470	84
Dividends on 42 shares U. S. Bank stock,	336	00
94 shares Planters and Mechanics' do.	188	00
51 shares Commercial do.	102	00
69 shares Union do.	241	50
6 Columbia Bridge, uncertain, say	42	00
\$286 State per cent stock,	14	30
100 shares Insurance and Trust Company, probably nothing for next year,		
Annual contribution of General Committee of Churches of Charleston Association,	250	00
Annual contribution of Savannah River Association,	121	17
Interest on loan to Classical Department,	245	00
	<u>3010</u>	<u>84</u>

LESS.

Int. to be paid on treas. note of \$500, to Union Bk.	175	00
Treasurer's note to Charleston Insurance and Trust Co., for \$4079.59, due 1st Jan. next,	285	53
Income on \$1500, held for Charleston Female Juvenile Mission and Education Soc. say	90	00
	<u>550</u>	<u>53</u>
		<u>2460 28</u>

ALEXANDER J. LAWTON, *Treasurer.*

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON ACCOUNTS.

The Committee on Accounts, to whom was referred the communication from the Juvenile Female Missionary and Education Society,—REPORT :

That they have had the same under consideration, and recommend that the Treasurer be directed to inform said Society of the amount of their fund ; and also, according to their request, vest the same, if not already done, in Bank stock ; also, that the Treasurer be authorized to receive the amount specified in their letter, as set apart this year, for their fund, and apply the same according to their wish ; and assure them that the Convention has every disposition to appropriate their funds according to their wish.

Moneys received by N. W. Hodges on his subscription.

Of R. T. Mims, \$20, J. W. Frasier, \$20,	\$40 00
Wm. B. Brooks, 25, J. F. Watson, 60,	85 00
J. B. O'Neill, 5, Jacob Smith, 25,	30 00
H. Adams, 5, A. Pasley, 20, I. L. Brookes, 30,	55 00
Wm. Whitmire, 5, John Curry, 5, M. Suber, 10,	20 00
Taplow Harris, 15, Wm. Eddins, 10,	25 00
J. Wright, 10, J. D. Adams, 20, W. Magee, 5,	35 00
Wm. Brunson, 10, A. Rice, 10, S. Gibson, 10,	30 00
Z. Rudolph, sen., 20, H. Pearson, 10, Wm. McMorris, 10,	40 00
Isabella Blocker, 5,	5 00
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	\$365 00

Paid W. E. Bailey, \$210, }
 A. J. Lawton, 155, } \$365 00

I do hereby certify, that I have examined the above report, and find the same correct.

A. RICE, *Chairman Committee of Accounts.*

MONEYS SENT UP**By various Bodies & Individuals for the Convention.**

Names of Contributors.	Department.	Classical Department.	Theological Department.	Amer'n and For Bib. Soc.	Missions	Foreign Mission.	Purposes.	Burman	American Home Miss.	General	Bible.	Burman	Total.
New Hope Church.....	40 00												40 00
Shiloh Church.....		5 00											5 00
Anderson District Missionary Society	0 50		2 00		0 50	39 12	31 13						73 25
Mount Moriah Fem. Benev. Society.					42 72								42 72
Saluda Association.....					19 96		18 94						38 90
Walnut Grove Church.....								8 00					8 00
Peniel Missionary Society.....							19 00						19 00
Boiling Spr'g Bap Camp G'd Mis Soc	28 75											28 75	57 50
Head of Enoree Church.....						5 00	5 00						10 00
Newberry Baptist Sewing Society...	50 00												50 00
Edgefield Asso per Br. Mims, Treas.		53 74											53 74
Monticello Female Benev Society...	15 00												15 00
Bethel Association.....					129 38							38 87	168 25
Mrs. Elizabeth Hutchinson.....											1 00		1 00
Mrs. Lucy Smith, per N. W. Hodges					5 00								5 00
Of M. Barnes, per James Chiles....											2 00		2 00
Tyger River Association.....							65 50						65 50
Rocky Spring Church.....							10 00						10 00
Newberry Baptist Church.....					23 00		4 50						27 50
Collection on Lord's Day.....					25 50		25 50						51 00
Silverton Female Working Society..						50 00							50 00
Milford Church, per Rev S. Gibson.	6 50												6 50
By a lady who has ceased to wr jew'y					*3 00								3 00
	140 75	58 74	2 00	249 05	94 12	179 56	8 00	70 62					802 86

Paid over the above amount to Treasurer of Convention.

A. RICE, *Chairman Committee on Accounts.*

* And three pieces of Jewelry.

BRIEF ABSTRACT

Of the Minutes of the Board of Trustees of Furman Institution.

In May, 1838, the Board met at the Institution. During this meeting an examination of the pupils in the Classical Department was held, and gave great satisfaction. Professor Maginnis resigned his connexion with the Institution on account of his inability to sustain the labor of instructing in the Theological Department. Professor Bailey also gave notice that he would withdraw from the Institution at the end of the year. Professor Maginnis was elected to a full professorship in the Theological Department, and was allowed time until the first of October to give an answer. The Principal of the Classical Department was requested to continue in the occupancy of his office, but he declined doing so after the termination of the year. The steward reported a good deal of refractory conduct among the pupils; particularly in the field and in the steward's hall. Such measures were taken by the Board, as the circumstances of the case seemed to demand. The Board prepared for publication an address to the Baptists of the State, setting forth the pecuniary wants of the Institution, and urging immediate action. They also devised and proposed a plan for collecting funds, and designated individuals, who along with the members of the Board were requested to act. They also requested, and obtained for publication, a copy of an inaugural address delivered by Dr. Hooper, as Senior Professor in the Theological Department.

In October a meeting was held at the call of the President, at Pine Pleasant Church, Edgefield district. Rev. N. W. Hodges was elected Principal of the Classical Department. The ill health and resignation of the steward and farmer, (Rev. J. Griffith,) had rendered it necessary for the Executive Committee to appoint another in his place. Their appointment of Rev. P. T. Hammond was confirmed by the Board. He was also elected steward and farmer for the next year. The Principal reported several students as being suspended for disorderly conduct. They were dismissed from the Institution. It was made the duty of the President to confer with Judge O'Neill in regard to the practicability of obtaining from the State Legislature the passage of a law abating all retail liquor shops in the vicinity of the Institution; and if he deem it advisable, to request him to present a petition to that effect. For the removal of all doubt upon the subject, a resolution was adopted, making it the duty of all students in the Classical Department, who are obliged to board from home, to board in the steward's hall, and reside at the seat of the Institution.

In December the annual meeting was held, before and during the meeting of the Convention, at Bethel Church, Spartanburg district. Elected J. Davis, President; J. Grisham, Vice President; J. C. Furman, Secretary; and W. Smith, Treasurer. The President reported that the individuals elected as Principal, and Steward, and

Farmer, had accepted ; the latter on the condition of an increase of salary, which was agreed to. The President reported, that he had received a letter from Professor Maginnis, declining the place to which he had been chosen. The Executive Committee were authorized to employ an assistant teacher in the Theological Department, until another Professor shall be elected. The reports of the Executive Committee, of the voluntary agents, and of the Treasurer, were committed to an Auditing Committee. A report was afterward made by this committee, and concurred in. The Executive Committee were instructed to provide some necessary accommodations on the premises of the Senior Professor ; and for this purpose, the sum of two hundred and fifty dollars was placed, subject to their draft. The same committee were further instructed to select ten acres of land for the use of the Senior Professor, and to have erected a set of shelves to contain the volumes of the library. The Constitution of the Institution was amended, by striking out the tenth section of the fourth article, and inserting the following words : " The vacation in the Theological Department shall consist of two periods, the first beginning the first of August, and continuing six weeks ; the other continuing through the month of December."

The minutes, of which the above is an abstract, were submitted to the Convention, at its meeting in Spartanburg.

J. C. FURMAN, *Secretary*.

Note. At a subsequent session, resolutions were passed, which for the sake of their being more extensively known, are herewith published. It was resolved to fix the price of boarding in the Classical Department, at \$55, for the first session, and \$45, for the second, with a charge of \$2 for fuel furnished. The semi-annual meeting of the Board was appointed to take place on Saturday preceding the last Lord's day in July ; and the examination of the Theological Department to occur on days following. A second examination was appointed to take place on the day before the first day of the winter vacation. W. E. Bailey, and B. H. Brown, were elected members of the Board in place of D. Peebles, and J. O'Bannon, resigned. J. M. Chiles was appointed to preach the introductory sermon at the meeting of the Board in July. The Auditing Committee discovered and pointed out some inaccuracy in the report which had been previously made ; but in consequence of the absence of several of the attending members of the Board, no action was taken upon it. The report for this reason, is not published.

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